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**RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT—ELECTION OF SPECIES**

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Examiner's office action dated December 20, 2006, Applicants provisionally elect the species described by Fig. 7, described in claims 1-19 with claims 24-26 being generic.

Applicants make the election with traverse based on the impropriety of at least a portion of the election requirement. Applicants submit that not all the identified "species" have mutually exclusive features, and therefore cannot properly be deemed as species. For example, the features shown in Fig. 3 can co-exist with the features shown in Figs. 4, 6 and 7. Applicants submit that, to the extent Fig. 6 exemplifies embodiments where the outermost row has end segments that touch to form a vertex, and to the extent Fig. 7 exemplifies embodiments where the end segments of adjacent side do not touch, the distinguishing features of Figs. 6 and 7 may be properly deemed species. As stated, claims 1-19 read on the elected species described by Fig. 7, and claims 24-26 are generic to the species shown in Figs. 6 and 7.

It is respectfully urged that the claims now pending before the Examiner are in condition for allowance. A notification of allowability is respectfully solicited.

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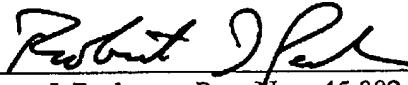
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Respectfully submitted,

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